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SHIZZLING, SIZZLING, BE WIGHT BE MOOSE!

Low Humidity Rate Saves Boston as the Mercury Goes Up.

COOLER, MAYBE, SUNDAY

PROSTRACTION.
MRS. MARIA MOLIERE, forty years old, of No. 3 Salem place, North End, was overcome in Tenthorn square and taken to the Relief Hospital.

THE TEMPERATURE.
OFFICIAL. THOMSON'S.
Midnight... 71
1 o'clock... 70
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3 o'clock... 70
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Yes, it's a stunner, but not the hottest day of the year.
Only for the fact that our old friend, General Humidity, seems to have gone with the other older boys in camp at Pleasant Beach, someone would offer today more than the day, General Humidity was only 65, which is eight points to the good for the Hub.
The Thomson's Spa thermometer registered 53 degrees at noon, which was going on some, to be sure, and the official gave on the Federal building summit was only three points below this tally.
The Weather Man says it's going to be a hot day, but only slightly cooler Sunday, with light easterly winds. He foretells us, too, that we are simply getting the sweep of the torrid wave which has come from the south end of the continent. He doesn't admit the convulsion, however.
At all the hospitals today the physicians and nurses got ready for many victims of heatstroke. There, in a general rendezvous, and in the cooler beach rooms, and those who could rest the hot city for a while. Some of the patients were discharged by the seashore.
The street washing department did not service in the crowded tenement sections by sprinkling the hot pavements, and therefore, thousands of people were left to suffer from the heat of the sun.

THE WEATHER.
Fair and cooler to-night.
Sunday, fair; fresh southerly to westerly winds.
High tide, 3:47 a. m., 4:24 p. m.
Sun rises 4:07, sets 7:24.
Moon rises 11:39 p. m.

FIND ASSAILANT OF GUNNISON

Alphonso Pothold, twenty-three years old, of Fulton street, Norwood, who was arrested last Saturday for attacking with an axe a woman named Margaret Coyne, also was arrested today in the house at Bridgeview. He was examined in Dedham jail yesterday by two physicians, who declared that he was sane.

Pothold owned some property in Norwood on which there are cherry trees. It had been troubled lately by children who stole cherries. He threatened to shoot the point into the young girl's head. The girl's father saw the assault, and with the assistance of an Italian who was working near by laid Pothold until he was arrested. The little Coyne girl is still at the Massachusetts General Hospital in a dangerous condition.

CITY EMPLOYEES TO KEEP THEIR JOBS

The thirty city employees whose discharge was ordered last week by the State Board of Civil Service Commissioners, on the ground that the men were not properly supervised, are to be retained on the board as the result of a conference to-day between the superintendent of streets, Warren, and the commissioners. At the conference the commissioners agreed on the retention of the men. The employees will lose no part of their pay.

Ten Free Tickets Given Away With Sunday American

The following Summer amusement tickets will be GIVEN FREE with every copy of to-morrow's Sunday American:
General admission to Wonderland.
Admission to the Spook Minstrels at Wonderland.
General admission to Paragon Park.
Admission to the Alligator Farm at Paragon Park.
Admission to Great Two in One show at Paragon Park.
Admission to launch ride on the lake, box ball alley, shooting gallery and mammoth toboggan slide, four features at Canobie Lake Park.
General admission to Lexington Park.
Ten tickets in all with every copy of to-morrow's Sunday American.

Order your paper early!
ORDER IT TO-DAY.

FALSE RUMOR COST 2 LIVES; 2 OTHERS HURT

By Boston American Special Wire.
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COOLER OUTS OLD TRUST

NEW YORK, June 20.—At a meeting of the officials of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, W. H. Tilton, treasurer, was elected to succeed Henry H. Flagler, vice president, resigned. Mr. Tilton, secretary, was made treasurer. In all the treasury made by Tilton's promotion; Walter Flagler, a director, was made secretary, and Henry H. Flagler, Jr., president, was made vice president. The Standard Oil Company, which was made a member of the board of directors to succeed Frank C. Barton, resigned.

Mr. Flagler's resignation was due to an advanced age and his desire to devote more time to his personal affairs. He is in the present in the Standard Oil Company, which is building a bridge across the Atlantic Ocean, and will give some attention to this in the future.

HAM MADE FOREMAN.
Benjamin Ham, father of former United States Attorney General A. H. Ham, died today, aged 85. He was a prominent figure in the city of Boston, and was a member of the State of Massachusetts.

BODY OF FEENEY.

The body of John Feeney, thirty years old, was found today in the water at the foot of the State House. He was a member of the State of Massachusetts, and was a member of the State of Massachusetts.

INDEPENDENCE LEAGUE CALENDAR NEXT WEEK IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

Special to the Boston American.
RICHMOND, Mass., June 20.—The Independence League will hold a meeting to-day at the State House, at 10 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the State House, at 10 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the State House, at 10 o'clock.

TAFET CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE THE \$5,000 IS HIDDEN—NOT LOST

Campaign Manager Will Be Chosen by Head of Ticket After Conference This Afternoon—Crane Out of the Contest.

CINCINNATI, June 20.—Secretary of War William Howard Taft, Republican nominee for the presidency, arrived here to-day. Shortly afterward James Schoolcraft Sherman of Utica, who will be Secretary Taft's running mate next Fall, put in an appearance.

A conference is being held this afternoon at which three very important questions are under discussion, namely, the manager of the national campaign, the mode of campaigning and the national committee officers.

It has been decided that Congressman Sherman, on account of his gift of oratory, shall make a speaking tour across the country. However, Mr. Taft may remain in Cincinnati and have the delegations of boomers call upon him.

Hitcock or Vorys.
The two men mentioned above as the most likely possibilities as campaign manager are Frank H. Hitcock and A. I. Vorys, who left late last night for Taft's home.

At this conference the general lines of the campaign will be framed, and the men who are to direct the carrying out of the plan will be chosen. It is expected that the conference will be held in the afternoon, and that the results will be announced to-day.

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This wealth is in the form of good deeds and articles of value, and it is for those who are the most skillful in finding the clues in the story and following them.

From inquiries already made at this office it is safe to say that the search on the hidden treasure will be the most hotly contested one that has ever taken place. It involves more than the mere search for the treasure, but the chapter of the romance printed today and then follow the story in succeeding papers without missing a word.

There is \$1,000 in gold for the cleverest follower of the great story. The gold is locked in a vault of the Old Colony Trust Company. The key to the vault has been secreted. Then is a clue in the whereabouts of the key in one of the chapters of the story and the person who discovers it and finds the key to the shining heap of gold.

But there are hundreds of dollars more in gold for shrewd, persistent readers of the AMERICAN'S story. They are in Pleasant, Town, Twentieth and up ward.

Especially for the women readers who are not able to leave their homes to follow the clues in the story there have been provided three handsome articles that would place the most fortunate. One of them is an \$850 Mirror, Silver Plated. The others are solid gold watches.

Who with these the competitors must read the story carefully. The most skillful in elucidating the mystery of the heroine and solving the best clues for the story FIFTY will get the plans. The second and third in the contest will get the watches.

There are also three beautiful little worth \$1,000 a minor cycle worth \$250 and other gold watches for keen readers of the story.

Read to-day's chapter. Then order to-morrow's AMERICAN and read the continuing story of the mystery. The first clues will be found in the installment of the story printed Monday.

POWDER SLOWLY REPORT DEAD

GROUND FOR MILES AROUND SHAKEN BY TERRIFIC EXPLOSION IN COLORADO.

DENVER, Colo., June 20.—A big explosion occurred at the Dupont Powder Company's dynamite works at Lovett, twenty miles southwest of Denver, in the foothills, at 10:35 this morning.

Heavy loss of life is reported. The plant employs 125 men and the explosion was heard and felt for miles. No details have yet been obtained.

It is understood that Harry H. New does not wish to be considered for reelection. He is a member of the committee, and he will not be considered for reelection. He is a member of the committee, and he will not be considered for reelection.

BOSTON TYPOS BID WELCOME TO BROTHERS

Gala Time Awaits Visitors
to Big Convention Here
in August.

TYPOS FROM WORLD OVER

There will be plenty of fun for printers who are coming to Boston from all over this country, from Canada and even from across the water, to attend the fourth convention of the International Typographical Union from the week of August 11 to 14.

Boston Typographical Union 12, the host for the convention, has just twenty-five of its members on a committee to see that the visiting printers have amusement as well as hard work at the convention.

This committee has its plans pretty well in shape now. The fun feature will be a day at the Point of Pines. Another will be a trip down the harbor, with a clam-bake. The "bake" will doubtless be a novelty to many of the delegates, especially a real old New England "bake," with clams just out of the hole.

For those interested in historic matters and who like a delightful day's journey, there will be a trip to Concord and Lexington. Then numerous other smaller excursions and trips are being planned, which will be announced later. The hotel of interest in the time convention and special train will be run from Boston and from Chicago for delegates.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION OF BOSTON PREPARES FOR MONSTER INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION HERE



CONVENTION COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION CONVENTION.

Top row, from left to right—Thomas F. Kane, Timothy J. Murphy, Herbert W. Cooke, Louis A. Sommer, Robert T. Allen, Charles O. Wood, Walter A. Metcalf. Middle row, left to right—Eugene Sweeney, Edward F. Disney, Charles Tillman, James P. Rhodes, Wallace B. Stoddley, James Fairclough, Charles T. Tenney, E. J. De Freitas. Front row—Thomas P. Curtin, James W. Cameron, Frank M. Flanagan, treasurer; Norman E. McPhail, chairman; Philip F. McManis, secretary; Louis C. McKinnon, James H. Butler.

(Photo by Chickering)

CAMBRIDGE BOY, HIT BY AUTO, IN HOSPITAL

Suffering from many bruises and possible concussion of the brain, 14-year-old Harry, aged eleven years, of No. 22 Athol street, Cambridge, is at the Cambridge Hospital in a result of being struck by an automobile while crossing Massachusetts avenue, near Pleasant street, in that city.

Thomas F. Giddes of No. 107 Princeton street, East Boston, who was operating the car, stopped and picked up the boy, who was unconscious, and hurried him to the hospital.

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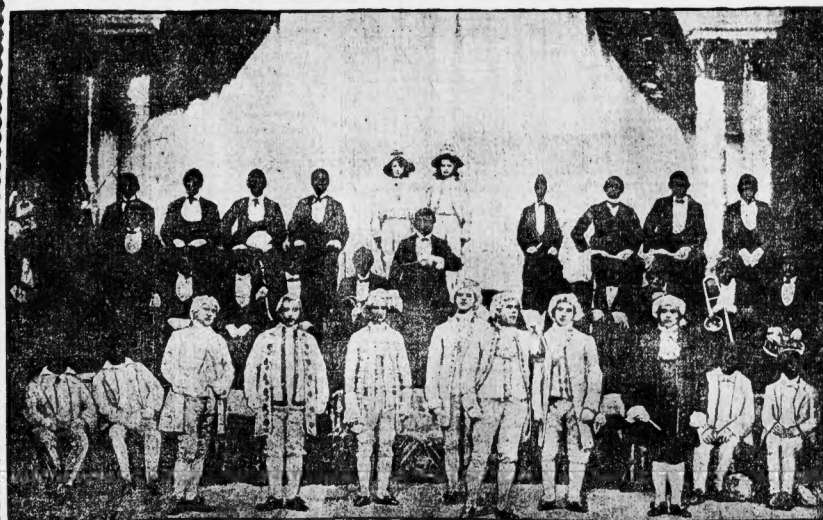
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WHOLE WORLD OF SPORTS COVERED FOR THE BOSTON AMERICAN BY ITS CORPS OF EXPERTS

CRACK ATHLETES MEET AT TECH FIELD GAMES

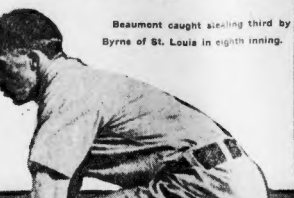
TECH FIELD, Brookline, June 20.—The regular season of the Harvard and Yale crack athletes met at the annual outdoor championships on the track and field, and the interest was given the big event in the presence of several of the members of the Olympic team who will represent this section of the country.

An admission was charged to witness the sport, and with as many as 10,000 spectators the race proved very stirring to the followers of the game who were not to take advantage of the fine show.

The Harvard A. A. had a strong array of athletes in the various events and expected to carry off the bulk of the prizes and trophies, but the Yale team, which was the largest number of points.

It was easy to pick the winners in many of the events, with the top men in the country competing in the various events. There was some competition in the 100 yard dash, where the Harvard and Yale crack athletes met. The Harvard team, which was the largest number of points, was expected to carry off the bulk of the prizes and trophies, but the Yale team, which was the largest number of points, was expected to carry off the bulk of the prizes and trophies.

Scene at Dove-Cardinal Game



Beaumont caught sliding third by Byrne of St. Louis in eighth inning.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

HOW THE CLUBS STAND.

Club	W.	L.	P.	P.C.
Chicago	21	14	5	.600
St. Louis	21	14	5	.600
Philadelphia	20	15	5	.571
New York	19	16	5	.543
Boston	18	17	5	.514
Washington	17	18	5	.486

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BECKHOLT HAS PASSED THE 20,000 MARK

Through a misprint, Beaumont was credited in the last published list of the scores in the BOSTON AMERICAN BOSTONIAN with 20,000 runs. The error was had at the time just 18,423. This error has been corrected, and the additional runs received for this since have been added to place him at 20,000 runs. He is now 20,000 runs ahead of the next runner, and he is now 20,000 runs ahead of the next runner.

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FULLER MEETS WILDER IN FINAL ROUND

WOLLASTON HOLE, Mass., June 20.—The final match in the Massachusetts amateur golf tournament between C. H. Fuller of the Commonwealth C. C. and H. H. Wilder of the Wollaston Golf Club, was played today at the end of the first afternoon hole, both golfers tied at 18 holes. The match was a close one, with both players showing excellent golf.

DAUGHTER OF ALEX, 2:03 3/4, TROTS FAST

LEXINGTON, Ky., June 20.—ALEX, 2:03 3/4, once the champion trotter of the world, but since having been relegated to the broodmare ranks has been named one of the "biggest" of the country, now promises to arise from obscurity in the breeding blood through her daughter, Queen Trotter, who is now 2:15 or faster.

SWEET MARIE TIMED MILE IN 2:06 3-4 FOR BIG RACE

By ED COOSWELL.

From race tracks all over the country are coming reports of fast workmen by the trotting and pacing stars being prepared for the meetings scheduled next month, and it is known that to date no less than three trotters have been timed in 2:07, or faster.

ANOTHER GOOD DAY FOR LOCAL WINES AT BAT

Yesterday the Deves and Red Sox had another good day with the bat. Sixty-eight runs were scored by the home team, which was a record for the season.

TOO EAGER "THE PIG" IS AT WHEATON

WHEATON, Ill., June 20.—With the arrival of the California steamer of the Harlow, C. H. Harlow and Charles C. Harlow, who were in the city to see the "Pig" that is expected to arrive in the city.

OLD "GRADS" ARE GUESTS AT RED TOP

HARVARD TEACHING QUARTERS, Red Top, June 20.—The Harvard varsity crew went out rather earlier than usual this morning in order to catch the train to Red Top, where it will attend the Harvard regatta, returning to quarters Monday.

CRABTREE BUYS FAST TROTTERS

Jack Crabtree attended the Baltimore meetings and at the conclusion of the 23rd race made a liberal offer for the winner, Esmeralda's Charm, which makes it likely that the mare will be sent to the stud.

Sporting News Briefly Told

FULLER TO MEET WILDER.—Yonkers H. Fuller of the Commonwealth C. C. and Henry H. Wilder of the Wollaston Golf Club, the Harvard champion, will meet today in the match of the tournament for the golf championship of Massachusetts.

DOHAN WEAK AT FINISH.—NEW YORK, June 20.—Johnny Dohan was no match for Young Otto in the six-round bout at the Columbia Athletic Club. At the end of the contest Dohan was very weak and was lucky to stay on his feet.

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ANDERSON WON TITLE.

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Roosevelt THE BIGGEST, Eh?— Dear, Dear!

Must We Pull Down Lincoln and
Washington and Set Up a New
Model?

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How easily and smoothly the word "greatest" rolls off the tongue—especially when it is the wrong word.

Once upon a time out in Kansas City an enthusiastic gentleman described his friend, candidate for sheriff or something of that kind, as "the ONLY FRIEND the American people ever had." Mr. Lodge's description of Mr. Roosevelt is too much like the Western gentlemen's description of his friend to be taken seriously.

It isn't worth while to compare Washington's patient years of struggle against defeat, his final victory crowned by abdication, and splendid modesty, with Mr. Roosevelt's career.

It isn't worth while to compare Lincoln, patiently bearing his heavy load, enduring abuse, and endless anxiety, with Mr. Roosevelt's gay, rollicking, romping in the White House. It would be rather too painful to compare Lincoln's end with Mr. Roosevelt's announced animal killing expedition in Africa.

The only interesting thing about the Roosevelt uproar is this: That wildly enthusiastic reception accorded to Mr. Roosevelt proves how hungry the American people are FOR SOME KIND OF A REAL MAN WITH SOME KIND OF A REAL PERSONALITY. The public is starving FOR SOMETHING REAL.

The people are tired of dummies; they are tired of the smooth nonentities handed out to them as candidates by the dishonest bosses and the more dishonest financial managers.

The people are sick and tired of the characterless, smooth, oily, hand-shaking, insincere, cunning, cheap, worthless, tenth-rate dwarfs marching up and down labeled "great men."

Nobody outside of the insane asylum or the White House imagines that Mr. Roosevelt is the greatest President the United States has ever had.

But a great many millions of citizens cheer when they hear his name, FOR AT LEAST HE IS A MAN. At least he has done some things that HE HIMSELF believed in. He hasn't always been dictated to by some man behind the door.

If he hasn't always represented the people—AND HE HASN'T—he has at least represented HIMSELF, and that is something. And the people tolerate it when he is ridiculously laded up, as greater than Lincoln, Jefferson, Washington or Jackson. And they cheer wildly, NOT because they believe the foolish praise always, but because they are glad to cheer somebody WHO ACTUALLY IS HIMSELF.

How It Happened

By James J. Montague

THE Father! They how did they nominate Taft at the Grand Old Chicago Convention? Did they all, with one voice, Make unanimous choice? With never a word of discussion? Don't think it, my child. If they'd dared to run wild and nominate any one else Their backs would be sore for at least four years more with bruises and lacerations and welts.

FOR the Great G. O. P. is a grand thing to see when it's passing round a spinning-top approach.

It goes a long way in bars and burrows, but that is as far as it reaches. But Cossack and Kossack like to keep on their blocks, and though they were really not used to, They cleared out for Taft, first and last, for and aft, because Teddy told 'em they had to.

O! Father! They what did that dear Mr. Hughes, who waited and waited?

For some time a day "Charles E. Hughes! Hi! Ho! Ho!"

Our hero has been nominated? It's the one biggest bet that he's waiting there yet, while he sits in the dreary refrain.

Of the breeze as it sneaks in fan softly his cheeks and finds that its efforts are vain?

FOR Fairbanks and Hughes may have not heard the news that when any man merely shouts:

"Here comes the big stick! Duck your heads, boys, quick!"

It is time for him to dance?

They didn't only to hear Taft out in "CH" ambition, in fact, told them not to.

And the world around a song till T. R. came along and calmly informed 'em they'd got to!

Little Editorials from the People

A LITTLE AHEAD OF TIME. NEW EVENING HIGH SCHOOL.

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN: I desire to congratulate the National Independence party on the sound judgment displayed in selecting a congressional candidate in the Youth Congressional District.

The values of the district cannot but feel complimented on the choice which the party has made.

It is fittingly appropriate that the candidate who has won a deserved reputation for political independence, who is an honest, earnest, and patriotic citizen, and who is a man of high character and high ability, should be your candidate.

I feel a remarkable joy in your selection. He is a man of high character and high ability, and a man who is a man of high character and high ability.

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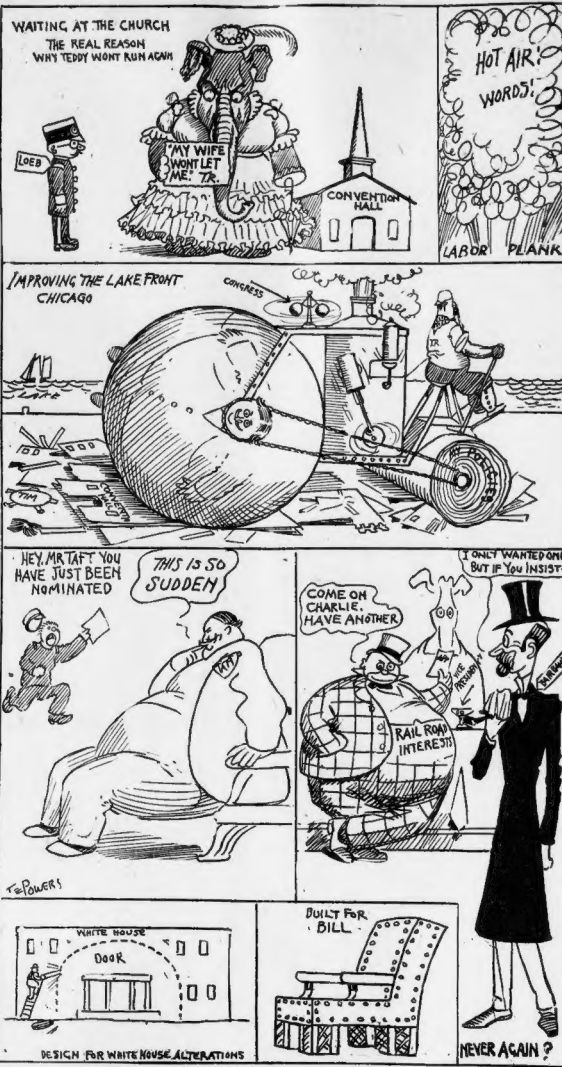
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OH, WHAT'S THE USE?

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Prayer's True Value

It Is Not in Asking Alms of God, but in Bringing One Nearer to the Divine Nature

By ELLA WHEELER WILCOX

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A SMALL philosopher, ten years of age, when asked if he believed in prayer, replied: "I never pray; God will give me what I deserve; why should we ask for anything else?"

These are many people in the world who believe themselves entirely religious; they pray without ceasing; but their prayer is of a nature which renders them spiritual loafers.

They hang about the corners of divine realms and hope that whatever they desire on earth; they mental and spiritual muscles are flabby from disuse; wasting time, and opportunity, and resolution; they drift through the world believing it is God's will that they should never achieve anything.

Prayer keeps the ties between us and the spiritual friends unbroken, just as correspondence keeps such ties united between separated friends on earth.

The exchange of written messages is a strong bond when speech is denied.

However certain we may be of the love and interest of our absent friends, we feel extended periods of silence keenly; and if they are prolonged, we lose to a certain extent our own interest in the absent ones.

Exactly the same result takes place between our unseen friends and our spiritual selves, when we grow negligent in prayer.

The realm beyond, and their occupants, are not so vastly unlike our own; and there are teachers and counselors ready and anxious to lend us their assistance if we give our cooperation.

Avoid Spiritual Beggary

PRAYER is common ground on which we may meet and hold converse.

Prayer should never be groveling pleas for material blessings.

Prayer should never degenerate into spiritual beggary.

We should not be forever asking alms of God.

No human being should pray for any special boon pertaining to the material life here on earth until he has exhausted all his own methods of working to obtain this boon for himself.

We are sent into life with physical, mental and spiritual powers to develop. Both mind and spirit, working in harmony, can clear the path of any and all obstacles, and triumphantly make the journey from obscurity to power.

When a father gives his son a certain sum of money to start in business he does not want that son continually asking him for small loans while his own competence is lying idle.

Not until all that he has been allowed is well invested and put to the best use, according to the light given him, should he turn to his father and ask for more. To say his son's debts and buy his necessities, while he makes no effort to use his own means, would be to encourage him in idleness and lack of self-reliance.

Exactly the same would be the effect upon a man's character, if the Creator gave him whatever he asked, while he made no effort to obtain it for himself.

Insults to Creator

TO pray for a good harvest while the weeds are allowed to depopulate the fields, to pray for success in business while sloth and impotency undermine the character, to pray for happiness while selfishness and jealousy mar the nature, to pray for health while

He must work to receive them. It would be an insult to his teachers to suppose they could be relied to bestow them upon a lazyard.

It is an insult to God to ask Him to bestow the blessings He has placed in our reach while we refuse to make a personal effort to grasp them.

Prayer much—but work more.

The Railroad Trust's Victory

[From the Bridgeport (Conn.) Farmer]

THE New York, New Haven & Hartford road may now, it is said, proceed to absorb the Boston & Maine road and unify the two systems. It has been a hard fight between the Massachusetts Legislature, but the road finally won, the anti-trust bill being heavily defeated. The merger will, it is true, give the N. Y. N. H. & H. nearly a monopoly of transportation in New England, but, on the other hand, it is equally true that this monopoly will, if properly managed, be of advantage to New England.